

I. Remarks

In a telephone message from the Examiner on April 30, 2004, the Examiner requested Applicants to identify the location of support in the priority documents for the new claims (5-16) added in the Amendment dated April 13, 2004.

In response, Applicants set forth below the location of support for the new claims in the certified translation into English of Japanese priority document No. 2000-153172.

Support for the method of identifying a test substance which modulates human G-protein coupling receptor-like protein (CRTH2) activity recited in claim 5 can be found at page 16, line 26, through page 17, line 27; at page 18, line 7, through page 19, line 6; and in Examples 3 and 4 (pages 22-24).

Claim 6 finds support at page 14, line 15, through page 15, line 2.

Claim 7 finds support in Example 3 (pages 22-23), specifically at page 23, lines 20-22.

Claims 8 and 9 find support at page 7, lines 11-16.

Claim 10 finds support at page 14, lines 25-26; page 16, line 26, through page 17, line 4.

Claim 11 finds support at page 14, line 27, through page 15, line 1.

Claim 12 finds support at page 18, lines 13-20.

Claims 13 and 14 find support at page 18, lines 20-22.

Claim 15 finds support at page 16, lines 15-17.

Claim 16 finds support at page 19, lines 10-19.

II. Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

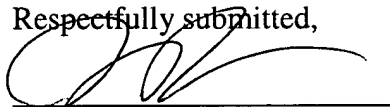
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